

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

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An imaging method for observing the propagation of a shear wave simultaneously at a multitude of points in a diffusing viscoelastic medium (4). The shear wave is caused to be generated by firing at least one focused ultrasound compression wave into the viscoelastic medium by means of an array of transducers (6), and then emitting at a fast rate and using the same array of transducers, unfocused ultrasound compression waves serving to obtain a succession of images of the medium, and processing the images obtained in this way in deferred time in order to determine the movements of the medium during the propagation of the shear wave.